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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
TORU SANEFUJI ET AL : EXAMINER: AHMED, S.
SERIAL NO: 09/851,127 :
FILED: MAY 9, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1773
FOR: POLYVINYL ALCOHOL FILM :
AND POLARIZATION FILM

AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 12, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1, 2 and 5 as follow:

1. (Amended) A polyvinyl alcohol film wherein the film is obtained by casting on drum, and the variance in thickness along the transverse direction of the film is 0.5 $\mu\text{m}/\text{mm}$ or less, the thickness of the film is within the range of 20 to 150 μm , and the width of the film is at least 2 m.
2. (Amended) The polyvinyl alcohol film according to claim 1, wherein the variance in thickness along the transverse direction of the film is a 0.28 $\mu\text{m}/\text{mm}$ or less.